

2. (Amended) The PCB of claim 1, further comprising:

a second signal line supported on said dielectric board member, said second signal line including a second elongated conductive member that is enshrouded with a carbon-based cladding over at least a portion of its length, said second signal line being adjacent to said first signal line.

5. (Amended) The PCB of claim 1, further comprising:

a second dielectric board member disposed above said [first] dielectric board member and said first signal line.

#### **REMARKS**

Applicant has carefully reviewed and considered the Office Action mailed on October 4, 2002, and the references cited therewith.

Claims 1, 2, and 5 are amended, and no claims are cancelled or added; as a result, claims 1-8 are now pending in this application.

#### **Claim Objections**

Claims 2 and 5 were amended at the Examiner's suggestion to reflect that the dependent claims further comprise the recited elements.

#### **Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 112**

Claims 1-8 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention.

Applicant has amended claims 1 and 5 to correct antecedent basis problems at the Examiner's suggestion, rendering these claims more definite and clear representations of the present invention.